

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-12 are canceled.

Claims 13-30 are new.

Support for each new claim is found at the originally filed claims and throughout the specification.

Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 13-30 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added.

An examination on the merits and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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